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Examiner: Erik J. Kielin

Application No.: 09/912,558

Art Unit: 2813

Filed: July 26, 2001

For: METHOD OF FABRICATING A
SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE WITH A WET
OXIDATION WITH STEAM PROCESS

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

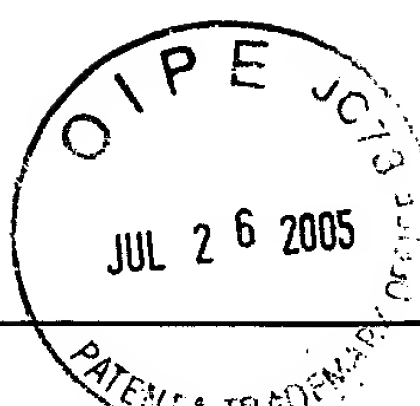
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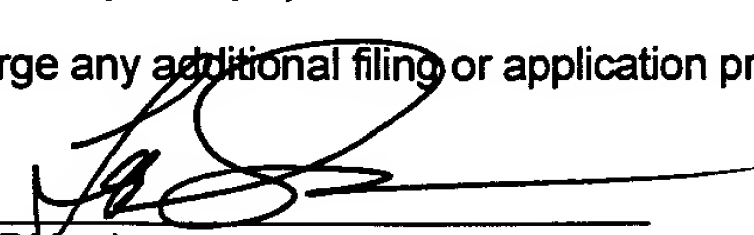
Dear Sir:

This paper is in response to the final Office Action dated May 3, 2005. Please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.



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| TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS | | | | | |
| Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. | | | | | |
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